LAYTON'S MYSTERY AGENCY: KATRIELLE'S CASE FILES

I RECENTLY STARTED MY OWN DETECTIVE AGENCY IN ONE OF LONDON'S MOST CHARMING STREETS.

LAYTON DETECTIVE AGENCY

IF A BIG MYSTERY COMES UP..

OPEN

"ANY MYSTERY SOLVED!"...

...THAT'S THE MOTTO OF THE LAYTON DETECTIVE AGENCY.

Case 1

"THE HAND THAT FEEDS"

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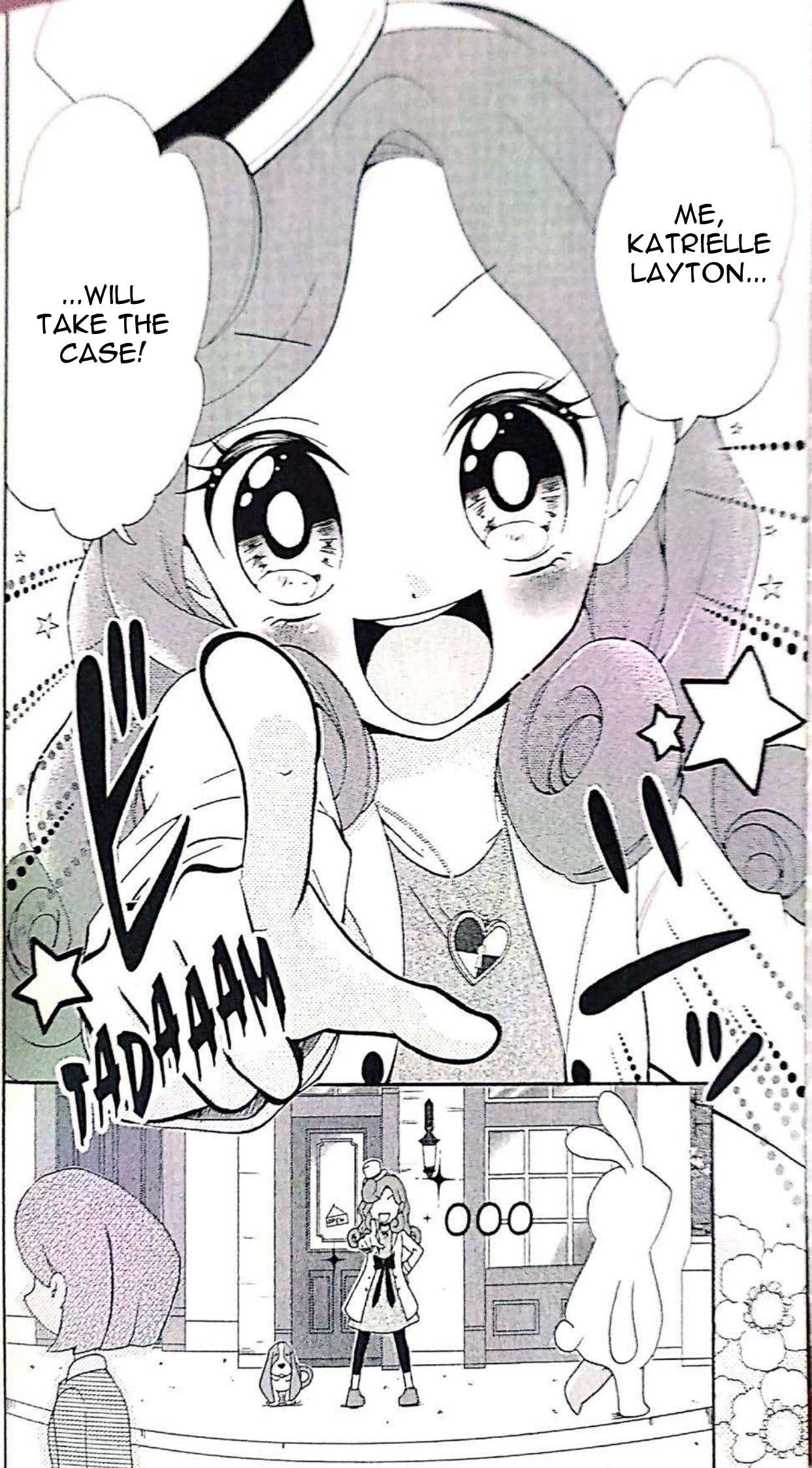
ME, KATRIELLE LAYTON...
...WILL TAKE THE CASE!
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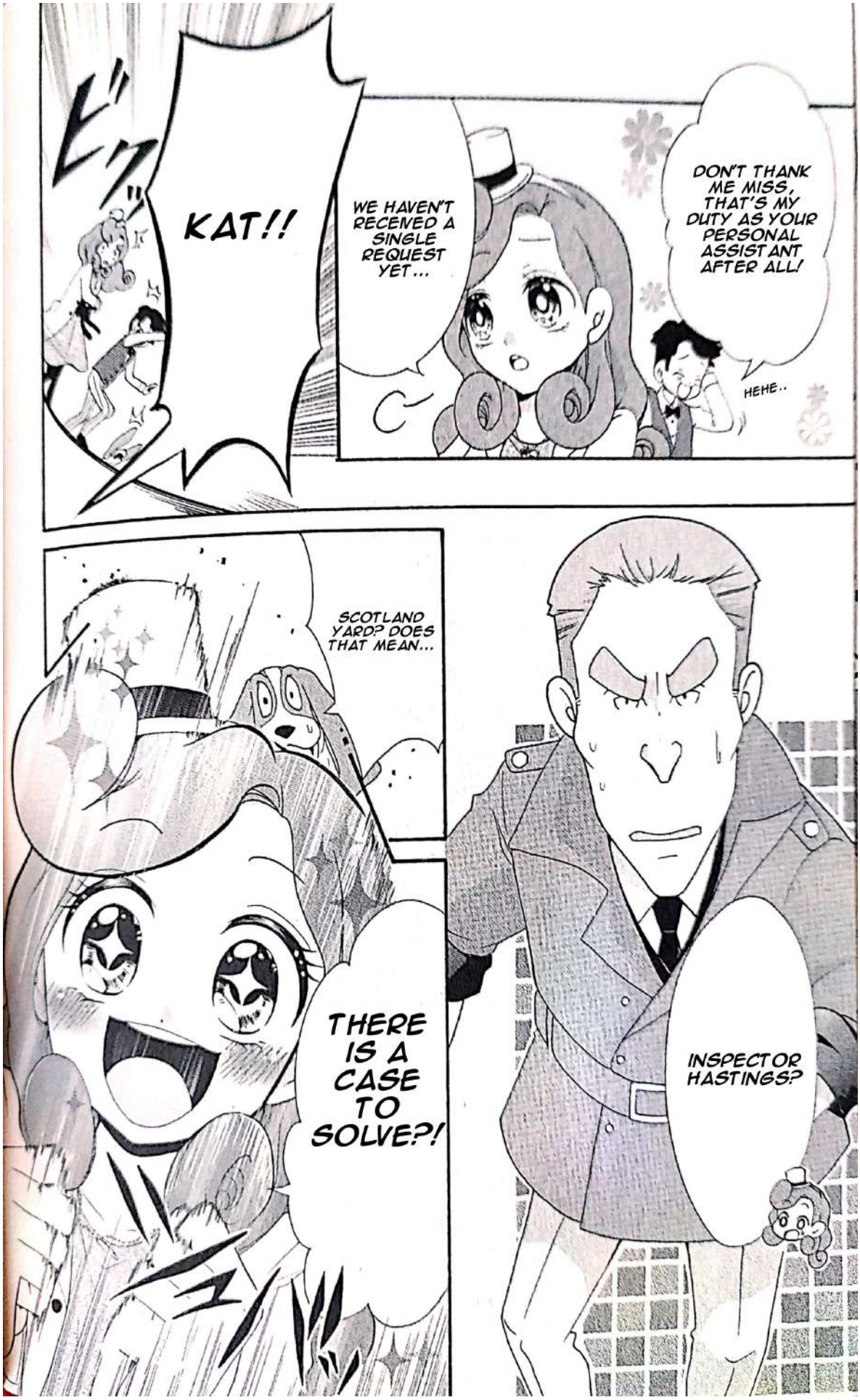
GEEZ...
WHY DON'T YOU HELP PROMOTE THE AGENCY TOO, SHERL?
YOU'RE A TALKING DOG AFTER ALL.
THAT'S IMPOSS-IBLE!
NO ONE CAN HEAR WHAT I SAY.
JUST YOU...
AND THE OTHER GUY.
TAP
TAP
MISS LAYTON!
I HANDED OUT ALL THE FLYERS!
THANK YOU, ERNEST!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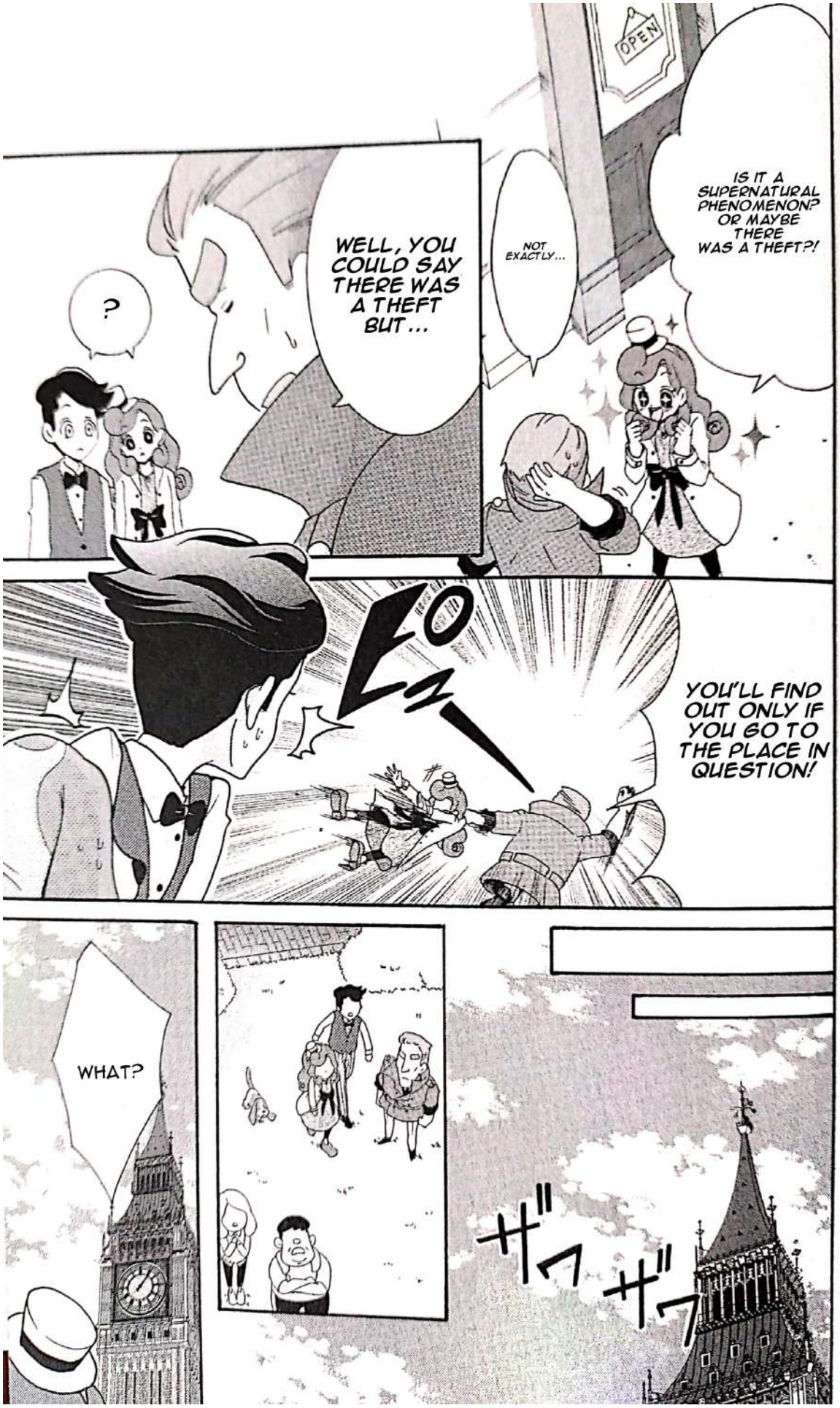
KAT!!
WE HAVEN'T RECEIVED A SINGLE REQUEST YET...
DON'T THANK ME MISS, THAT'S MY DUTY AS YOUR PERSONAL ASSISTANT AFTER ALL!
HEHE..
SCOTLAND YARD? DOES THAT MEAN...
THERE IS A CASE TO SOLVE?!
INSPECTOR HASTINGS?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IS IT A SUPERNATURAL PHENOMENON? OR MAYBE THERE WAS A THEFT?!
NOT EXACTLY...
WELL, YOU COULD SAY THERE WAS A THEFT BUT...
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EH
YOU'LL FIND OUT ONLY IF YOU GO TO THE PLACE IN QUESTION!
WHAT?
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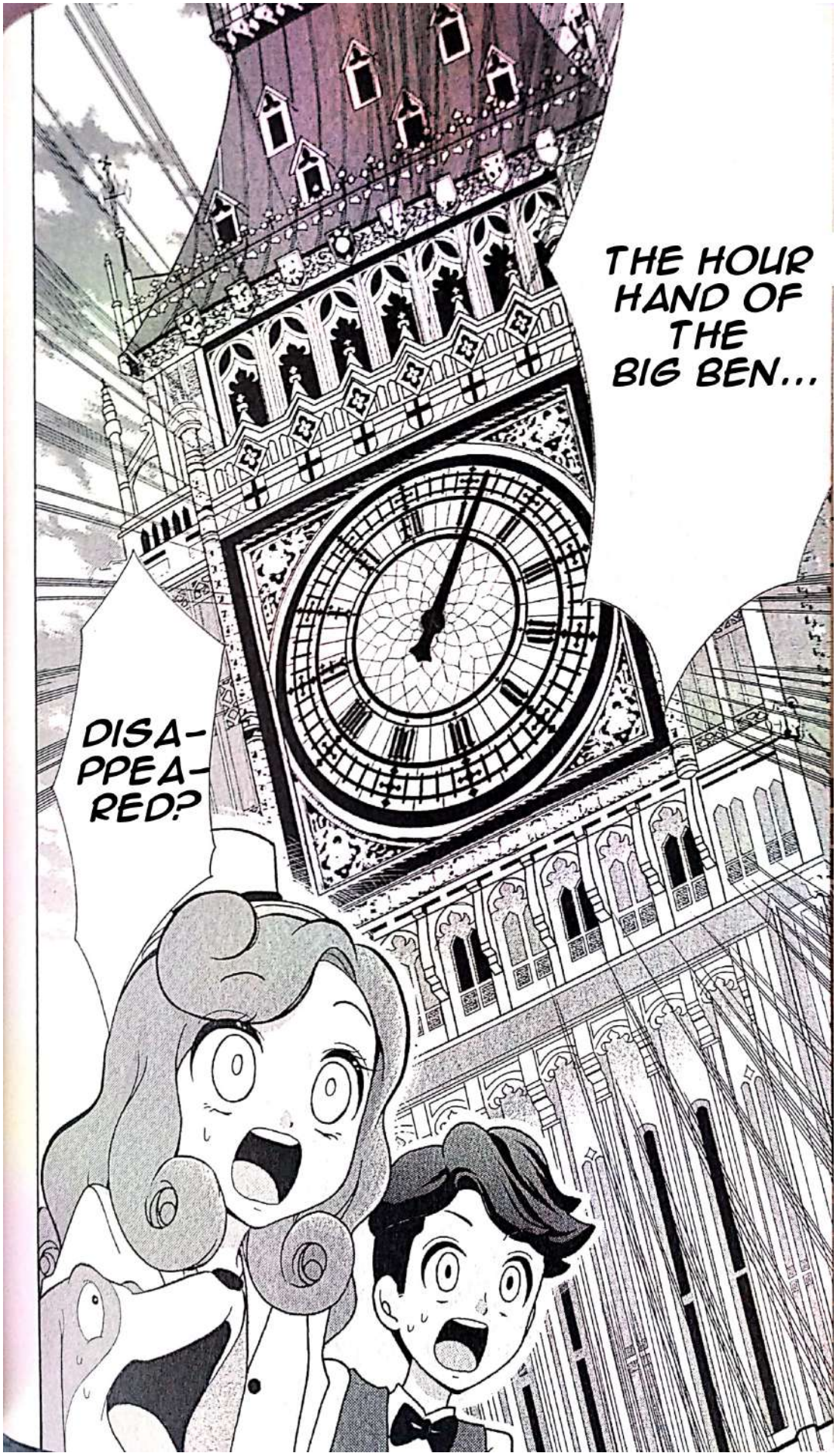
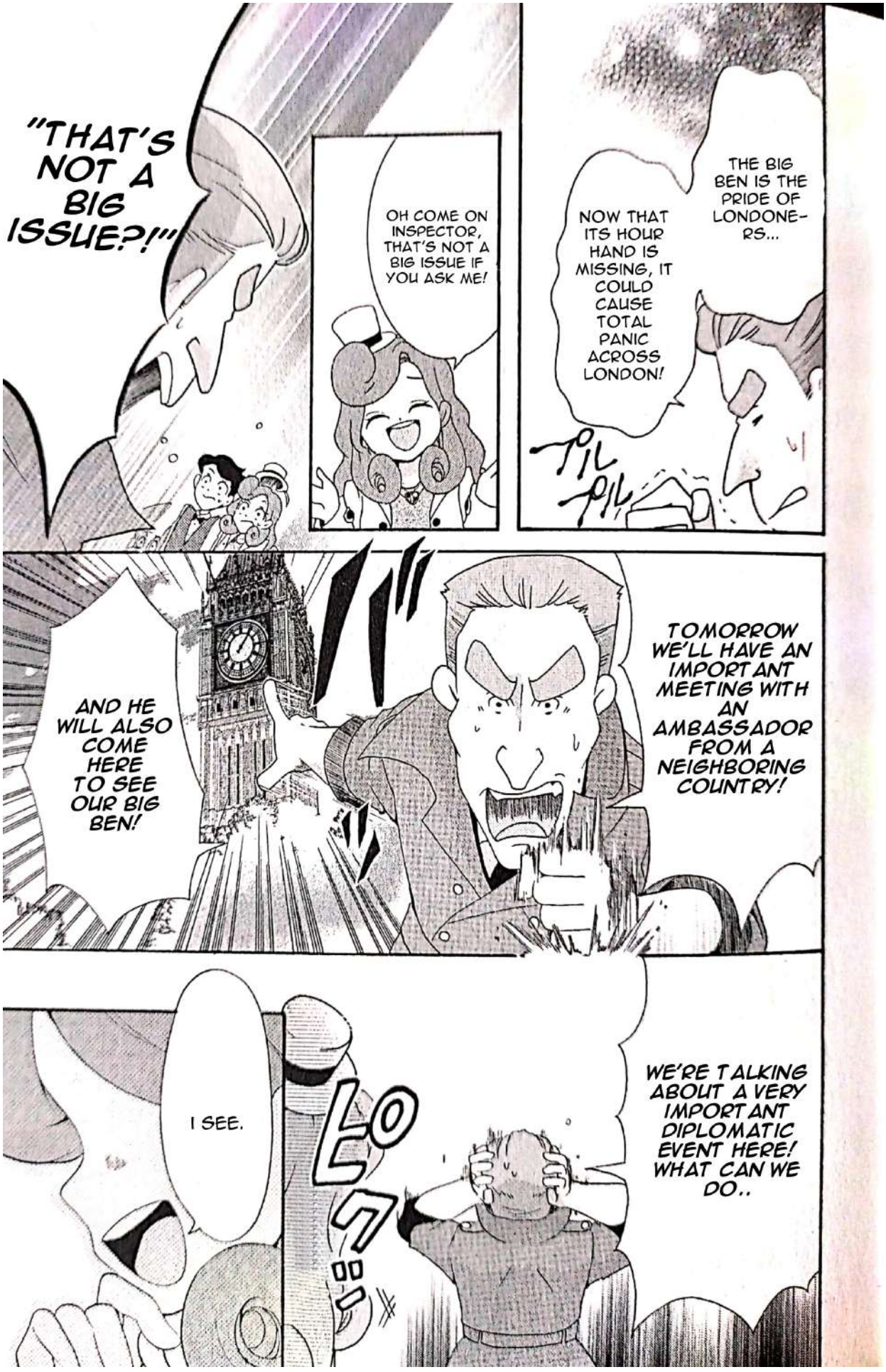

THE HOUR HAND OF THE BIG BEN...
DISA-PPEA-RED?


"THAT'S NOT A BIG ISSUE?!"
OH COME ON INSPECTOR, THAT'S NOT A BIG ISSUE IF YOU ASK ME!
THE BIG BEN IS THE PRIDE OF LONDONERS...
NOW THAT ITS HOUR HAND IS MISSING, IT COULD CAUSE TOTAL PANIC ACROSS LONDON!
TOMORROW WE'LL HAVE AN IMPORTANT MEETING WITH AN AMBASSADOR FROM A NEIGHBORING COUNTRY!
AND HE WILL ALSO COME HERE TO SEE OUR BIG BEN!
WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A VERY IMPORTANT DIPLOMATIC EVENT HERE! WHAT CAN WE DO..
I SEE.
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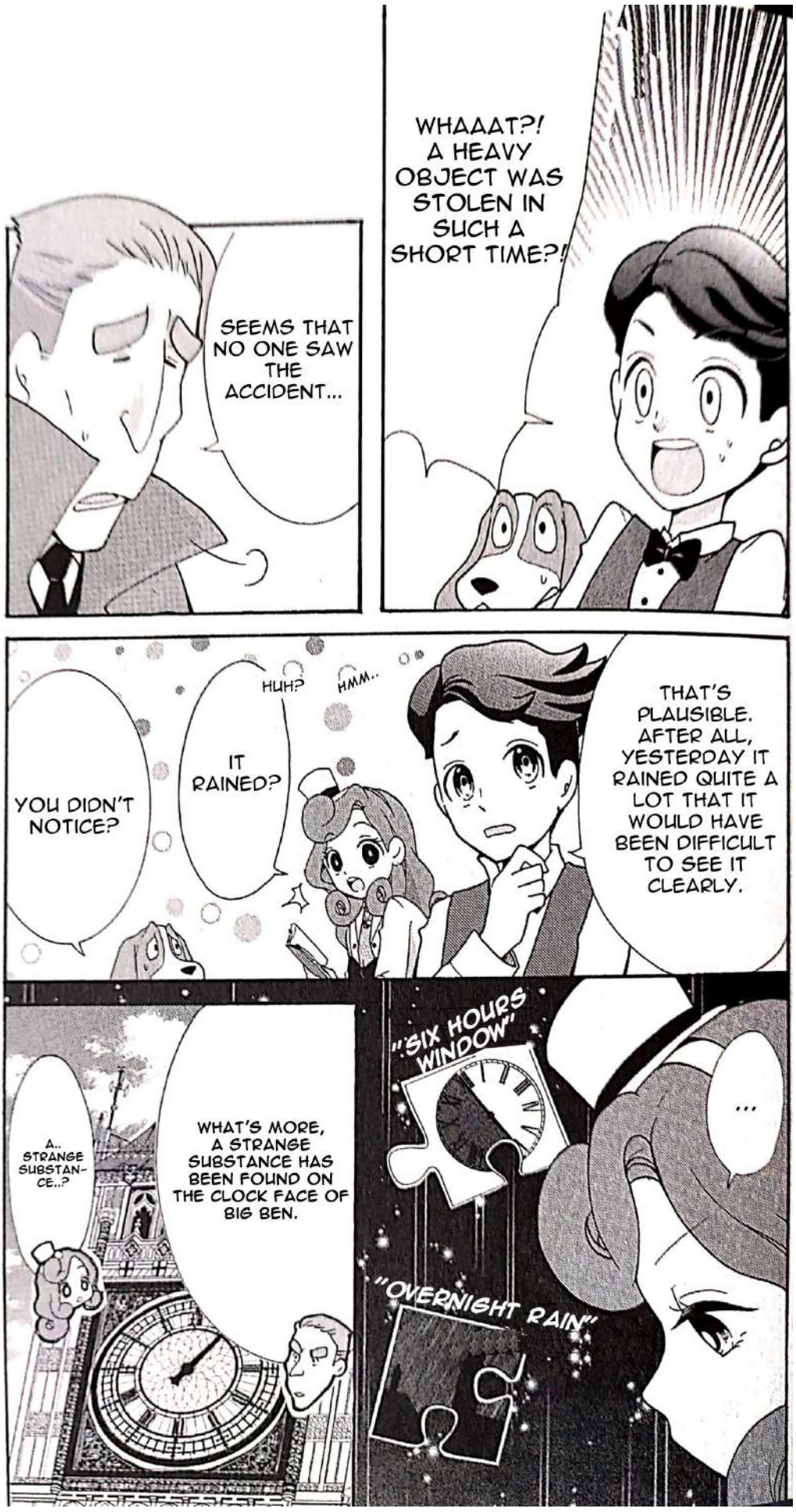
ME, KATRIELLE LAYTON, WILL SOLVE THE CASE!
TELL ME WHAT YOU KNOW INSPECTOR!
OK...
SOME EYEWITNESSES STATED THAT AT 11:50 P.M. BOTH HANDS WERE IN PLACE.
THE DISAPPEARANCE OF THE HOUR HAND HAS BEEN REPORTED THIS MORNING AT 6:00 A.M.
WHICH MEANS A TIME INTERVAL OF SIX HOURS.


WHAAAT?! A HEAVY OBJECT WAS STOLEN IN SUCH A SHORT TIME?!
SEEMS THAT NO ONE SAW THE ACCIDENT...
THAT'S PLAUSIBLE. AFTER ALL, YESTERDAY IT RAINED QUITE A LOT THAT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN DIFFICULT TO SEE IT CLEARLY.
HMM..
HUH?
IT RAINED?
YOU DIDN'T NOTICE?
"SIX HOURS WINDOW"
...
"OVERNIGHT RAIN"
WHAT'S MORE, A STRANGE SUBSTANCE HAS BEEN FOUND ON THE CLOCK FACE OF BIG BEN.
A.. STRANGE SUBSTAN-CE..?

NO, THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE.
MAYBE IT JUST FELL DOWN..?
STILL I'M NOT SURE ABOUT THE HOUR HAND SUDDEN DISAPPEARANCE...
THANK YOU INSPECTOR!
YEAH, WE'RE ANALYZING IT RIGHT NOW. I'LL LET YOU KNOW ONCE I GET THE RESULTS.
THIS IS HANS LIPSKI.
HE IS BIG BEN'S MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN.
I REPAIRED IT JUST TWO DAYS AGO.

...
"RECENTLY REPAIRED HOUR HAND"
DID YOU LEARN SOMETHING MISS?
HMM..
I SENSE SOMETHING OVER THERE!!
REALLY?
HAVE YOU SEEN A POSSIBLE SUSPECT YESTERDAY, MR. LIPSKI?
YES, NO...I WAS AT HOME, I'M AFRAID.
WAIT KAT! WE HAVEN'T EVEN SOLVED THE CASE YET!
DON'T WORRY SHERL!
SHE IS SURELY ON TO SOMETHING!
SHE ACTIVATED HER SIXTH SENSE, HUH?

I WANT SOME MORE! ♡
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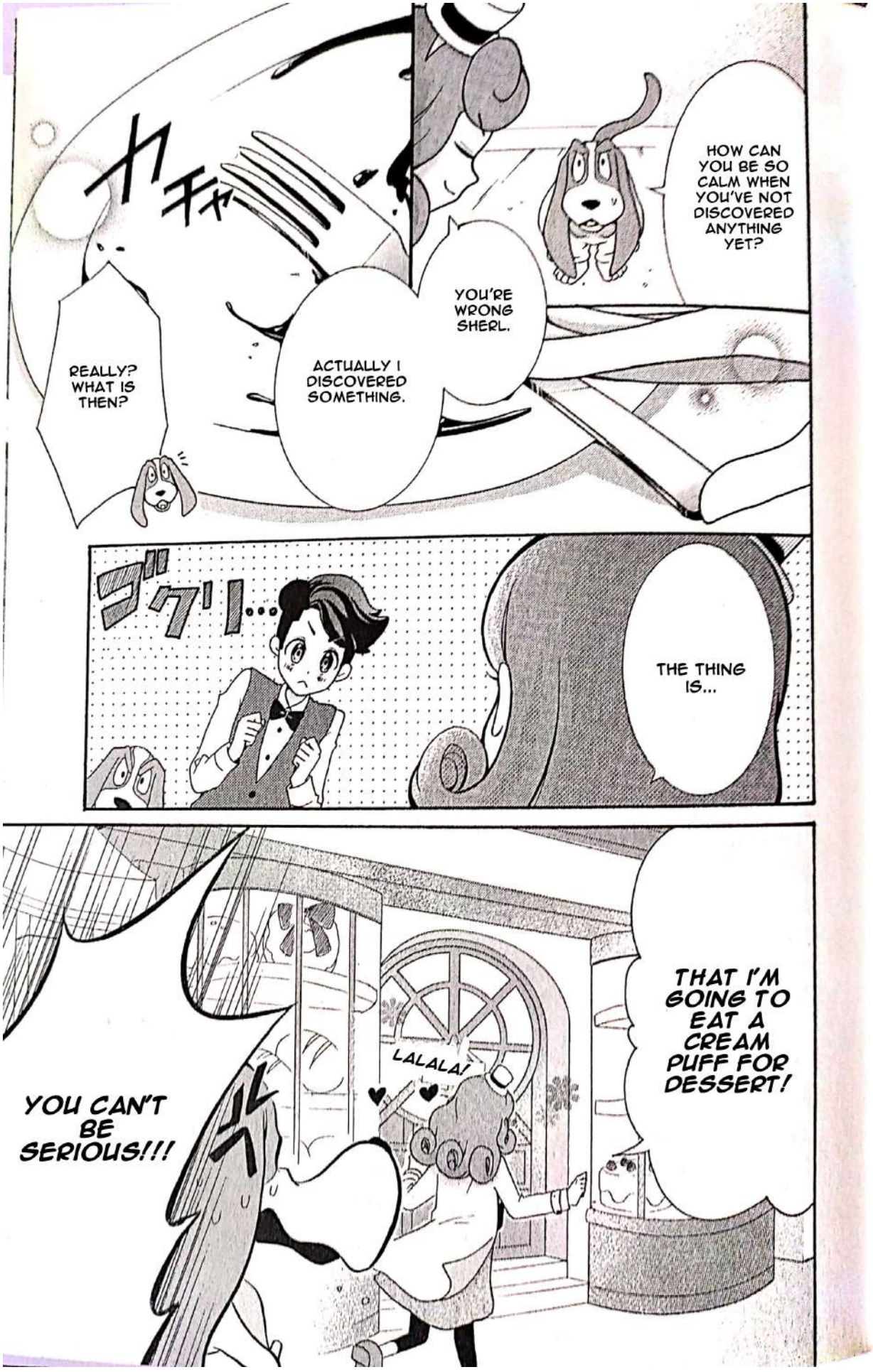
YOU AREN'T HERE TO INVESTIGATE, MISS?
I CWUANT INWESTIGA-TE ONW ANW EWMPTW STWOMAC-H!!
(I CAN'T INVESTIGATE ON AN EMPTY STOMACH!!)
WE DON'T UNDERS-TAND A THING!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HOW CAN YOU BE SO CALM WHEN YOU'VE NOT DISCOVERED ANYTHING YET?
YOU'RE WRONG SHERL.
ACTUALLY I DISCOVERED SOMETHING.
REALLY? WHAT IS THEN?
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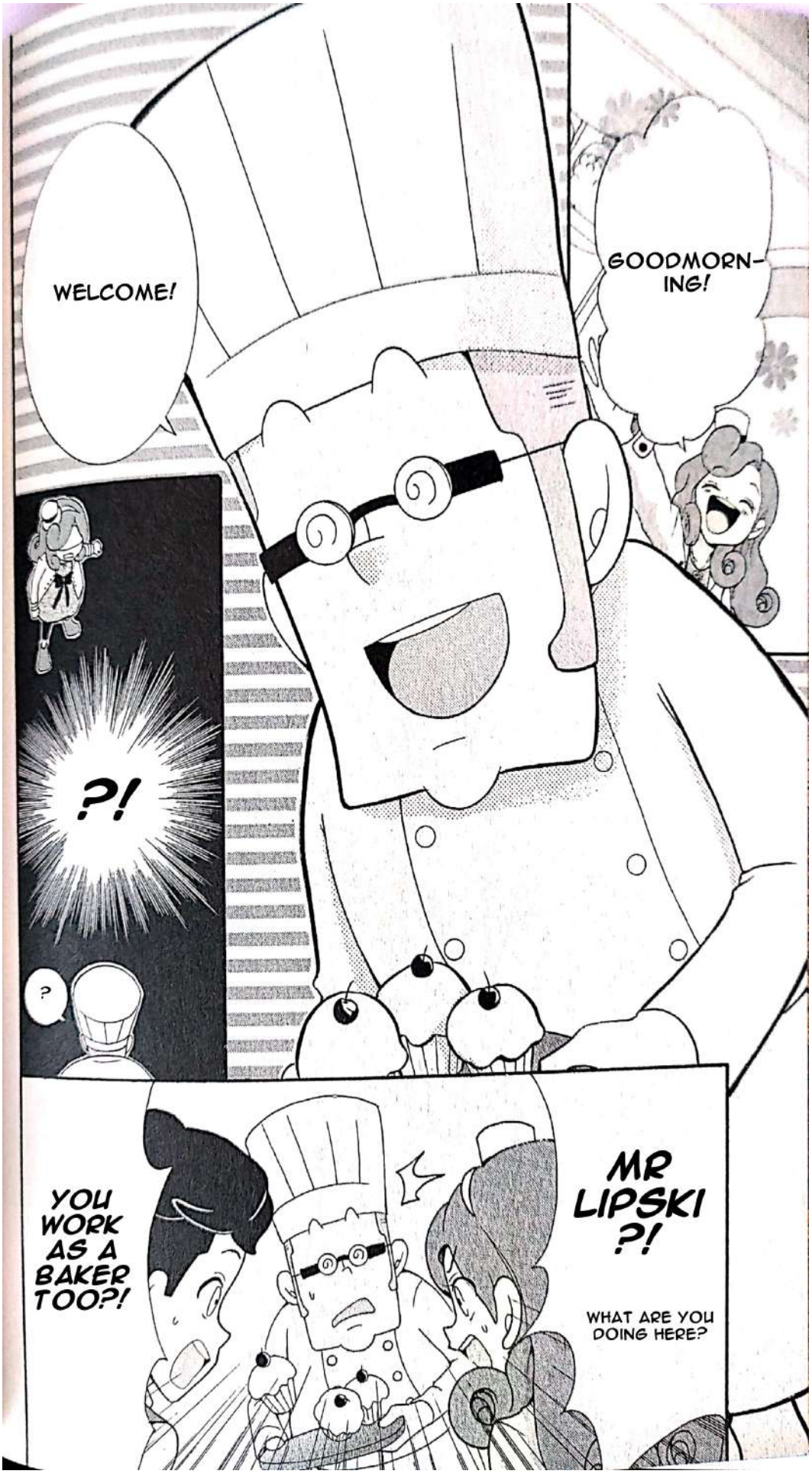
THE THING IS...
THAT I'M GOING TO EAT A CREAM PUFF FOR DESSERT!
LALALA♪
YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS!!!


WELCOME!
GOODMORN-ING!
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MR LIPSKI ?!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
YOU WORK AS A BAKER TOO?!

AAH!
NO,YES, YOU MUST HAVE CONFUSED ME WITH MY BROTHER.
MY NAME IS ALEKS LIPSKI. I'M THE OWNER OF THIS BAKERY.
ME AND HANS ARE TWINS, AS YOU CAN SEE.
YOU'RE TOO IDENTICAL!
THEN YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH THE BIG BEN CASE TOO I PRESUME?
NO,YES, MY BROTHER TOLD ME.
IT'S REALLY A BIG MYSTERY...
THAT'S RIGHT...
I MUST SAY...

THERE ARE SO MANY CAKES THAT I DON'T KNOW WHICH ONE TO BUY!
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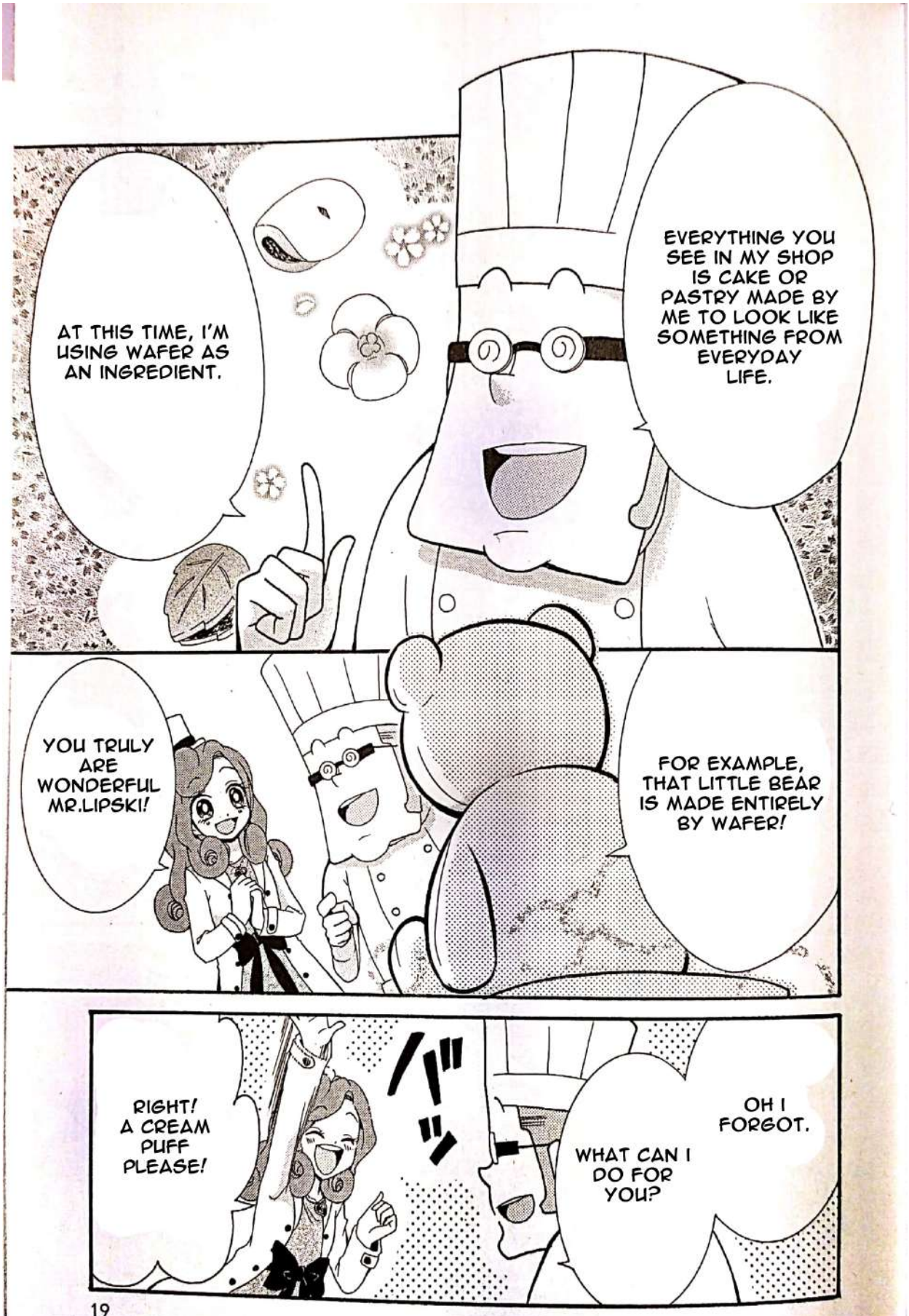
MISS LAYTON LOOK! THIS LITTLE BEAR IS A CAKE TOO!
AND THAT CLOCK AND THOSE FLOWERS AS WELL!
THAT'S AMAZING! THEY SEEM REAL!
NO,YES, THAT'S MY SPECIALTY!


AT THIS TIME, I'M USING WAFER AS AN INGREDIENT.
EVERYTHING YOU SEE IN MY SHOP IS CAKE OR PASTRY MADE BY ME TO LOOK LIKE SOMETHING FROM EVERYDAY LIFE.
YOU TRULY ARE WONDERFUL MR.LIPSKI!
FOR EXAMPLE, THAT LITTLE BEAR IS MADE ENTIRELY BY WAFER!
RIGHT! A CREAM PUFF PLEASE!
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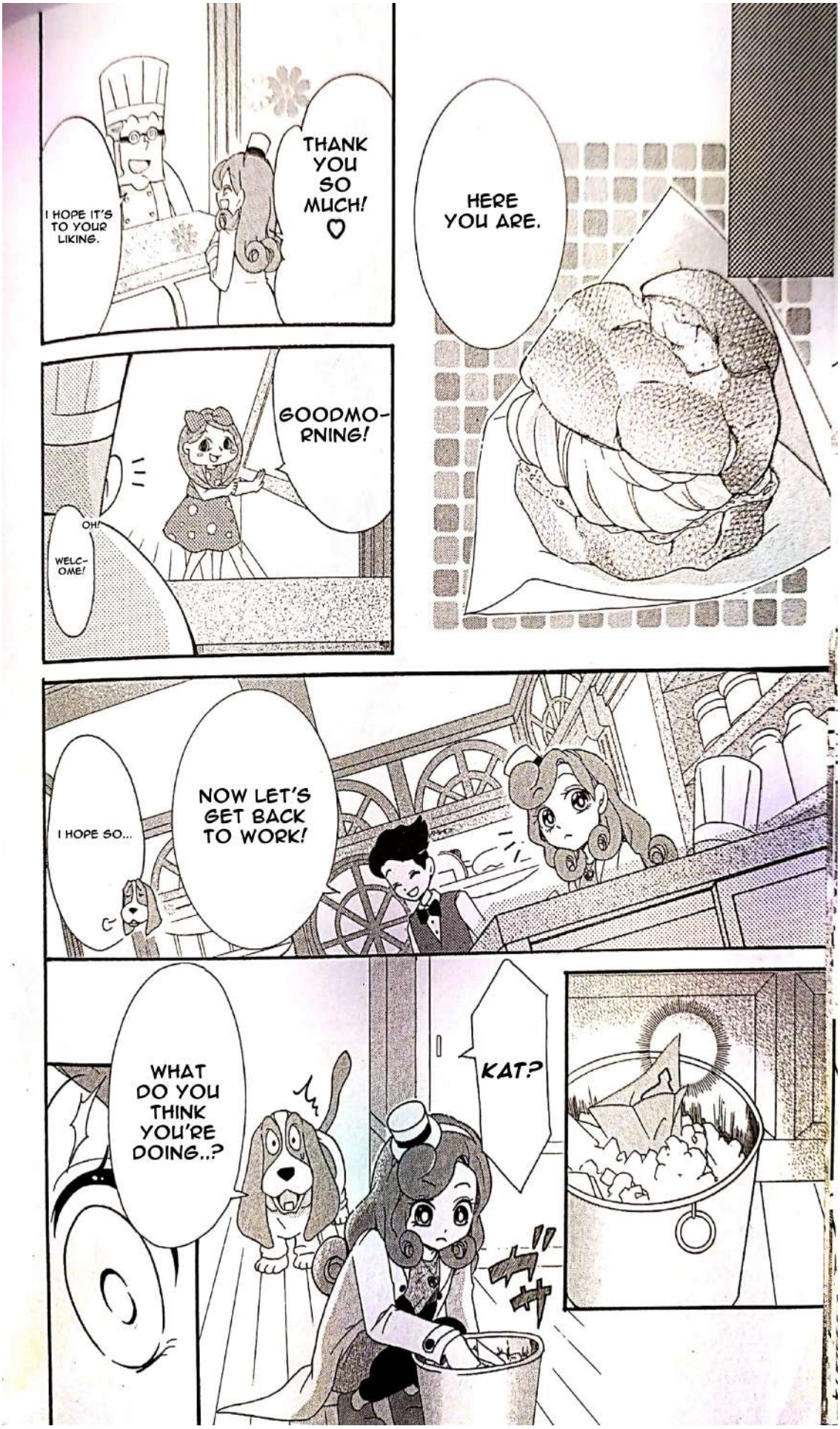
WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU?
OH I FORGOT.


I HOPE IT'S TO YOUR LIKING.
THANK YOU SO MUCH! ♡
HERE YOU ARE.
GOODMO-RNING!
OH! WELC-OME!
I HOPE SO...
NOW LET'S GET BACK TO WORK!
KAT?
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING..?

DID YOU FIND SOMETHING MISS?
YEAH! A PRETTY IMPORTANT CLUE!
THAT'S A CLOCK HAND BLUEPR-INT!
WHAT'S IT DOING HERE?!
"CLOCK HAND BLUEPRINT"
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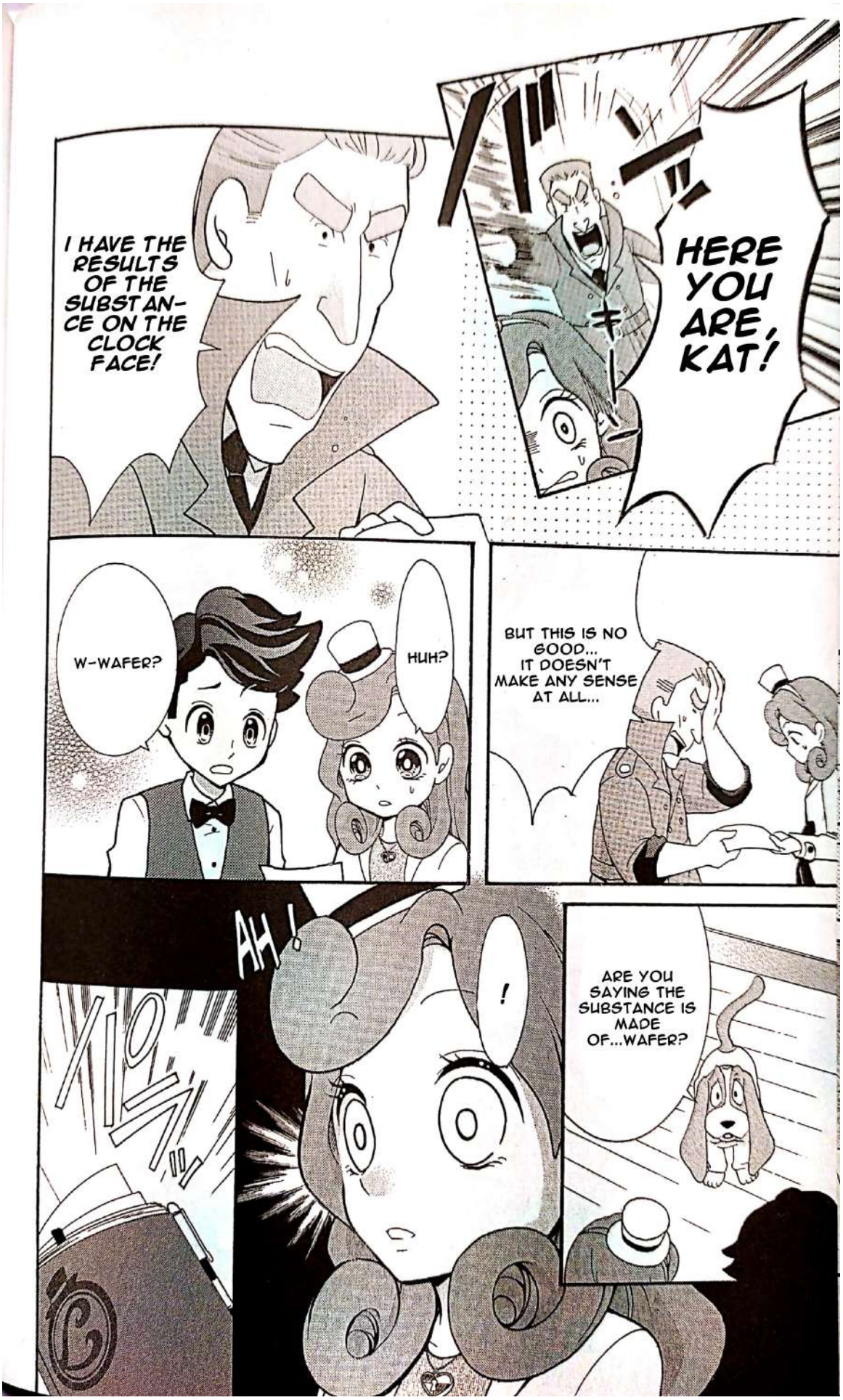
I HAVE THE RESULTS OF THE SUBSTANCE ON THE CLOCK FACE!
HERE YOU ARE, KAT!
W-WAFER?
HUH?
BUT THIS IS NO GOOD... IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE AT ALL...
AH!
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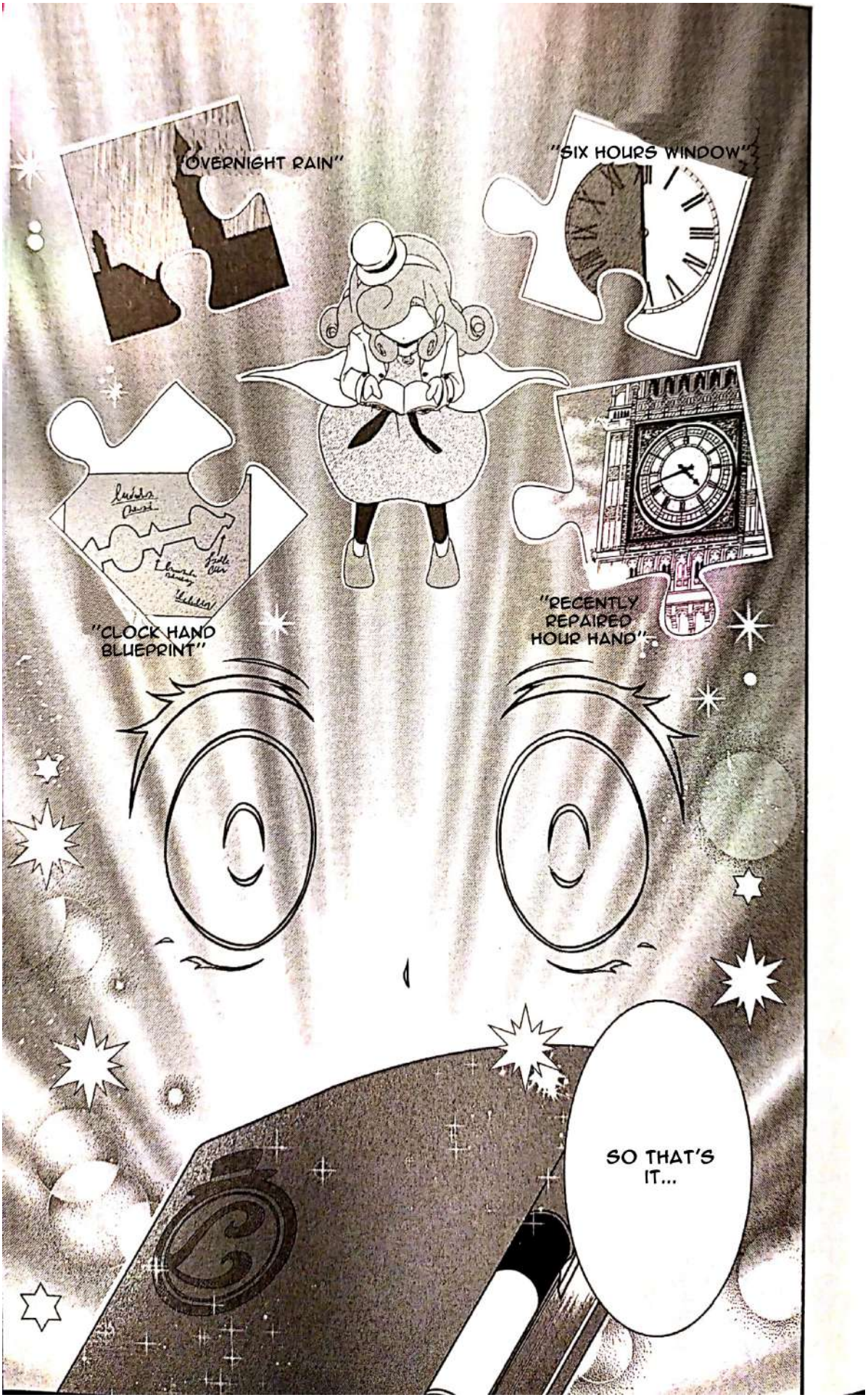
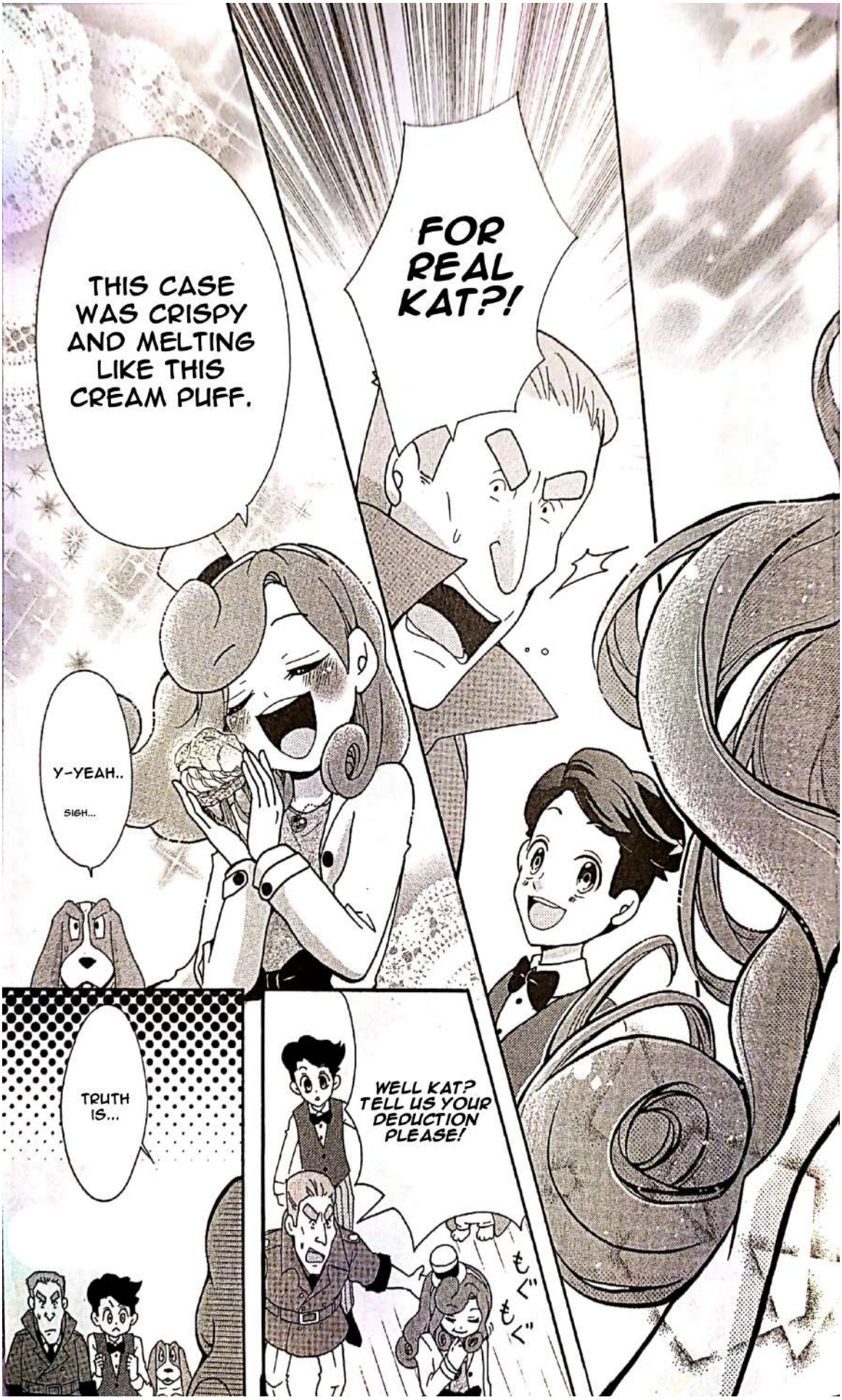
ARE YOU SAYING THE SUBSTANCE IS MADE OF...WAFER?


"OVERNIGHT RAIN"
"SIX HOURS WINDOW"
"CLOCK HAND BLUEPRINT"
"RECENTLY REPAIRED HOUR HAND"
SO THAT'S IT...

I SOLVED THE MYSTERY!


FOR REAL KAT?!
THIS CASE WAS CRISPY AND MELTING LIKE THIS CREAM PUFF.
Y-YEAH..
SIGH...
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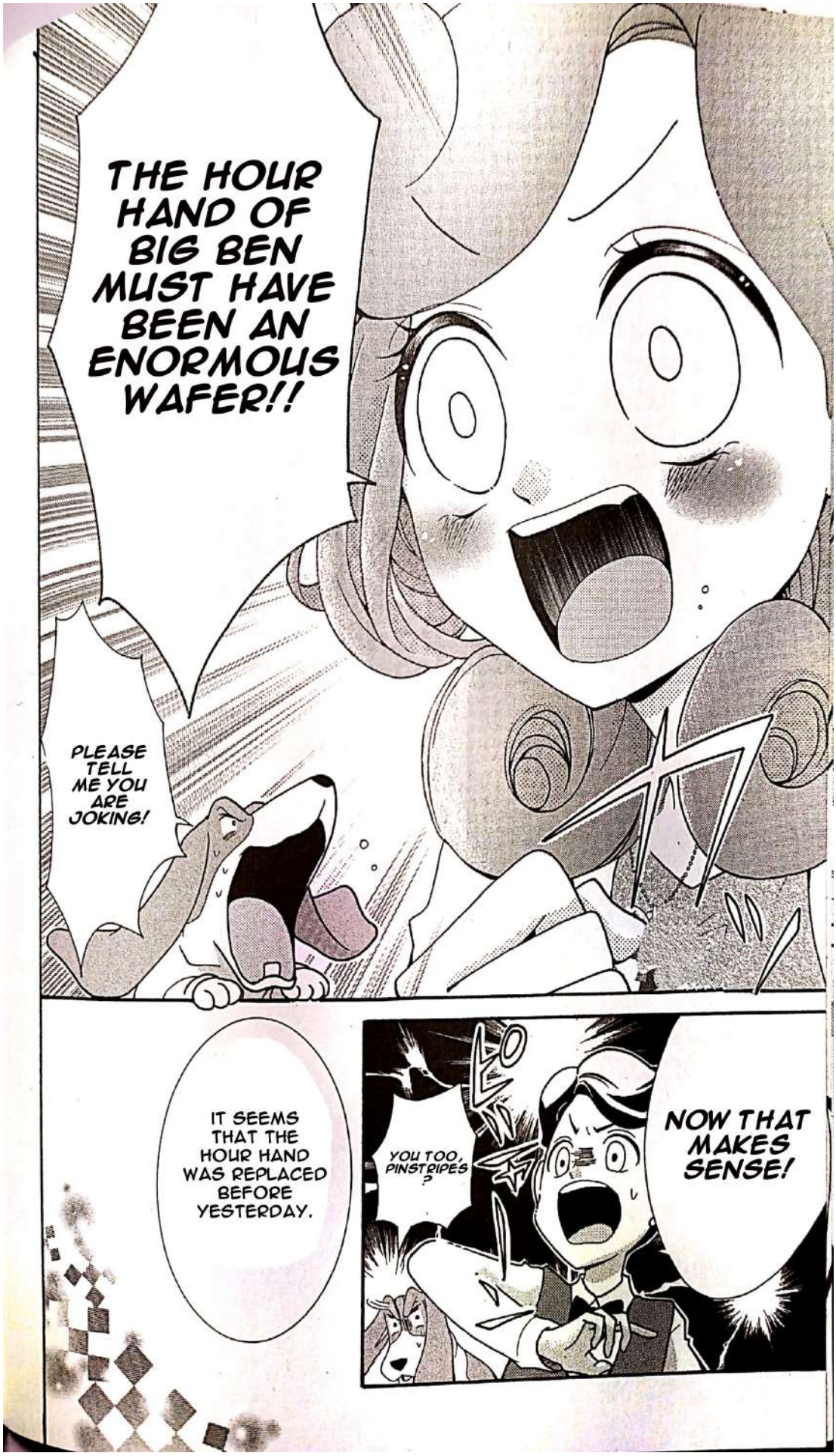
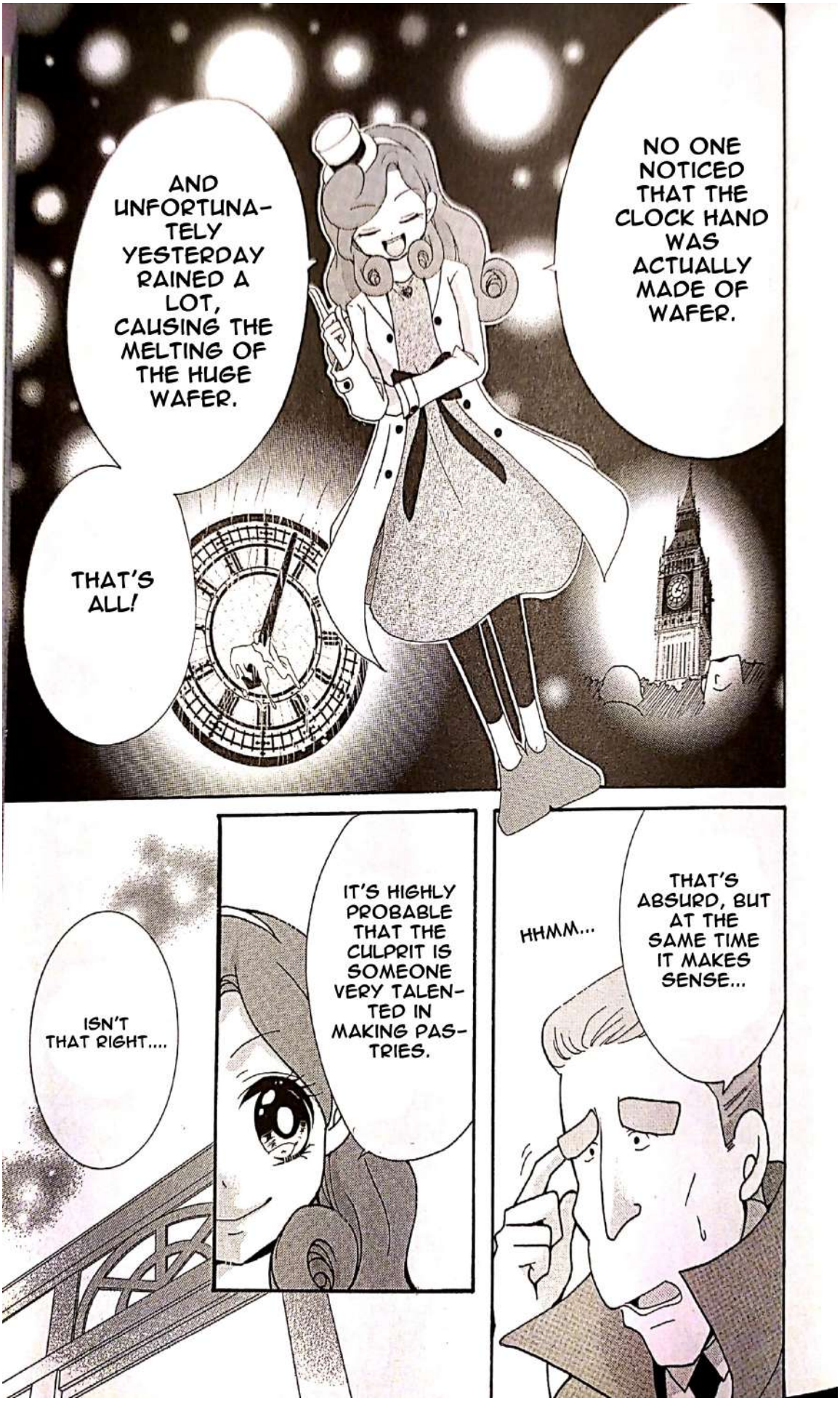
WELL KAT? TELL US YOUR DEDUCTION PLEASE!
TRUTH IS...


THE HOUR HAND OF BIG BEN MUST HAVE BEEN AN ENORMOUS WAFER!!
PLEASE TELL ME YOU ARE JOKING!
IT SEEMS THAT THE HOUR HAND WAS REPLACED BEFORE YESTERDAY.
YOU TOO, PINSTRIPES?
NOW THAT MAKES SENSE!


NO ONE NOTICED THAT THE CLOCK HAND WAS ACTUALLY MADE OF WAFER.
AND UNFORTUNATELY YESTERDAY RAINED A LOT, CAUSING THE MELTING OF THE HUGE WAFER.
THAT'S ALL!
HHMM...
THAT'S ABSURD, BUT AT THE SAME TIME IT MAKES SENSE...
IT'S HIGHLY PROBABLE THAT THE CULPRIT IS SOMEONE VERY TALENTED IN MAKING PASTRIES.
ISN'T THAT RIGHT....

MR. ALEKS LIPSKI?
WHA-
W-WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?!
I HAVE EVIDENCE.
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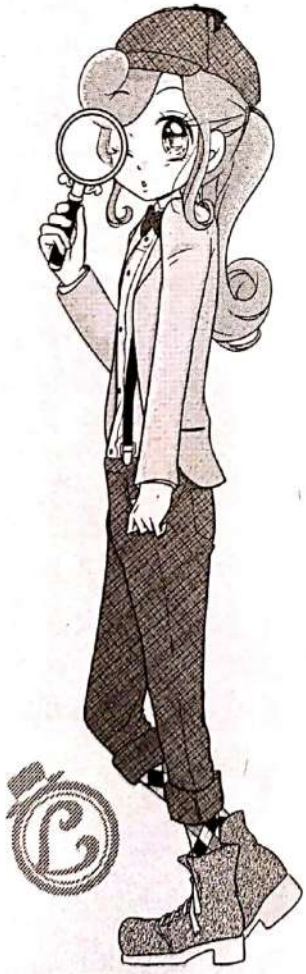

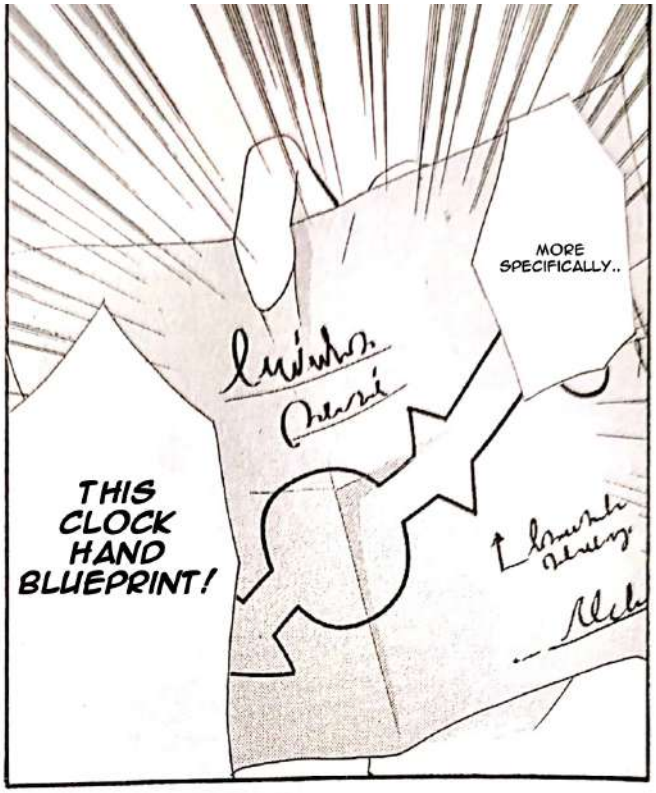
MORE SPECIFICALLY..
THIS CLOCK HAND BLUEPRINT!

YOU USED THIS TO MAKE THE WAFER HOUR HAND. AM I RIGHT?
...

TAP
PLEASE WAIT!!!!
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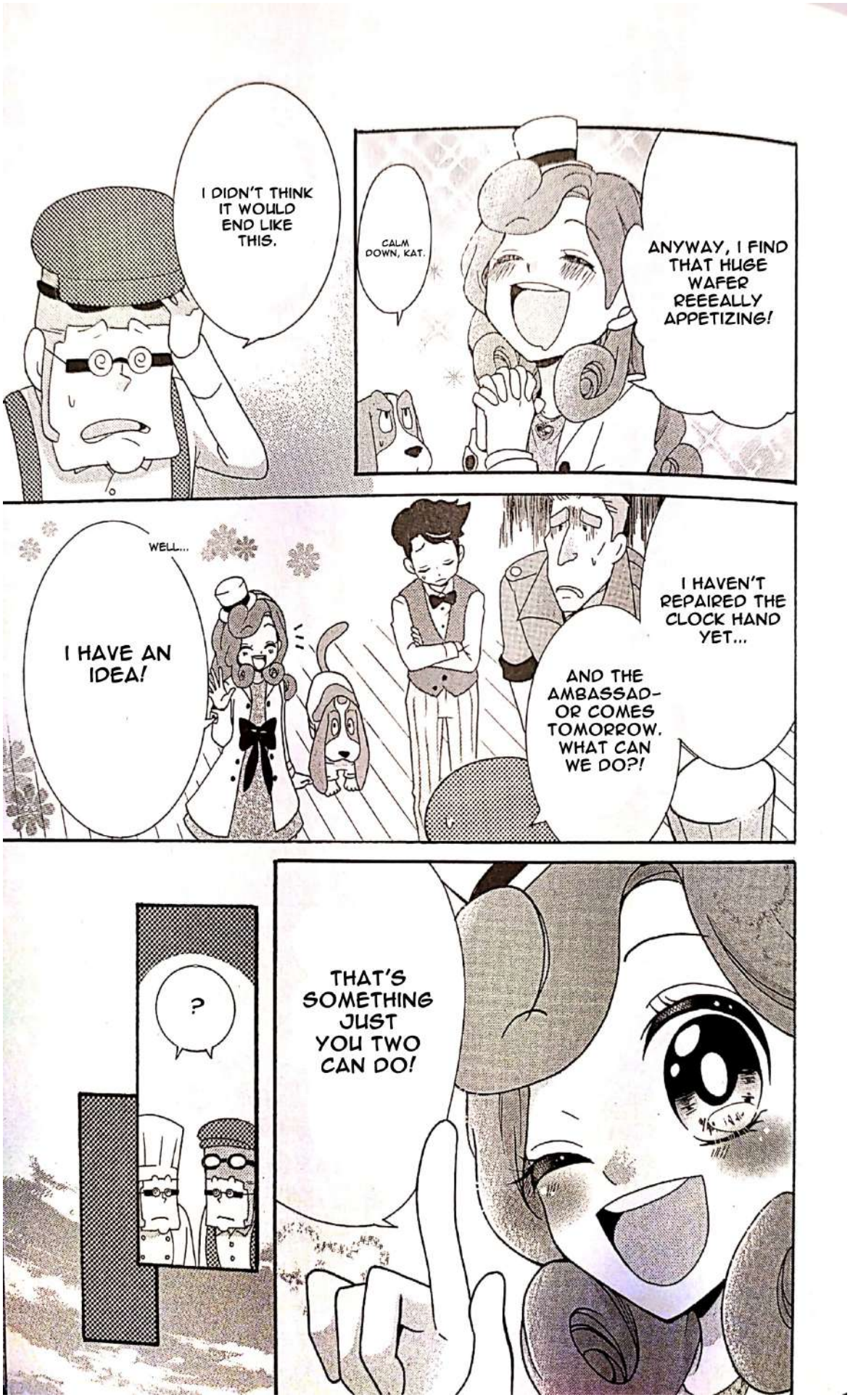
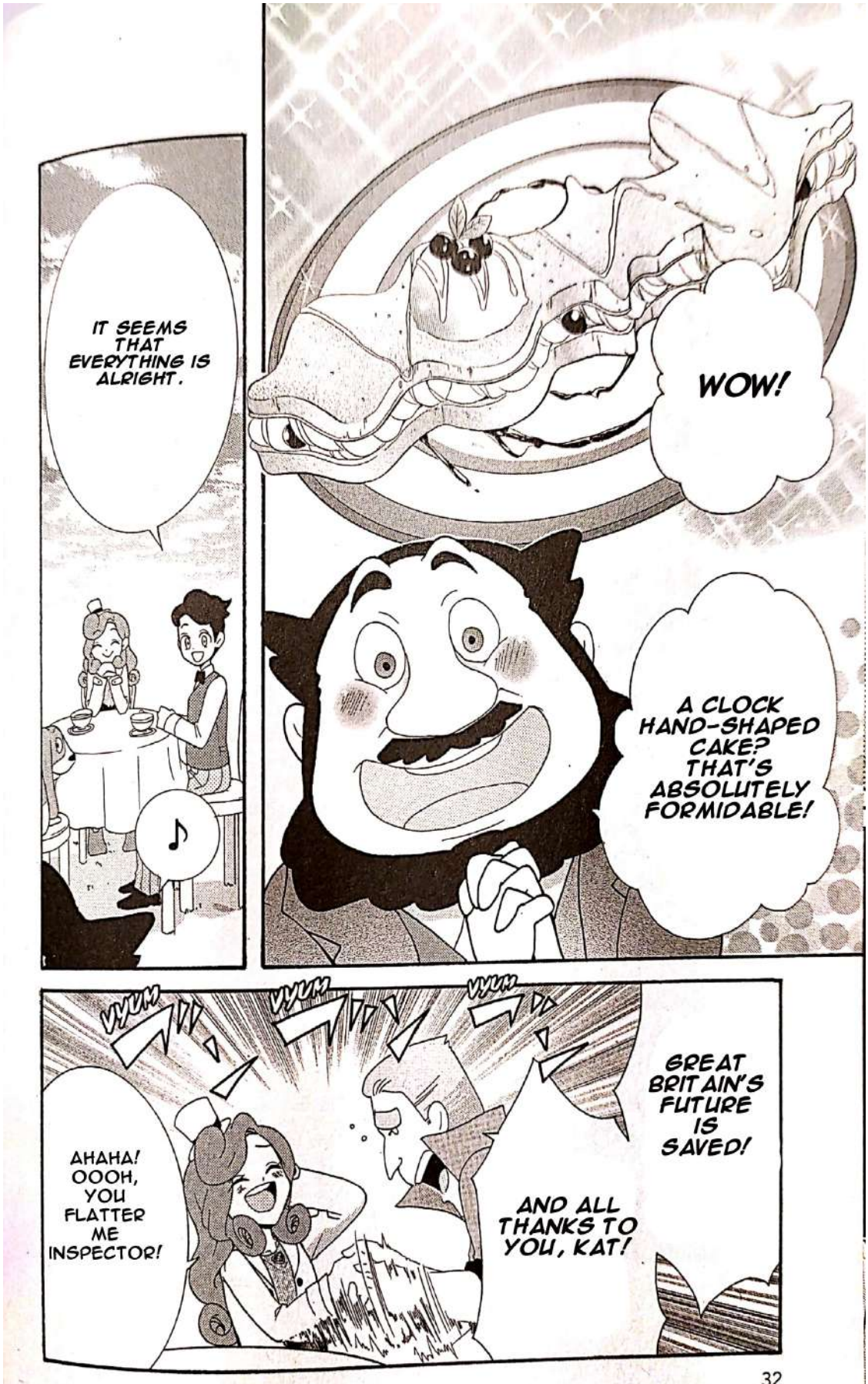
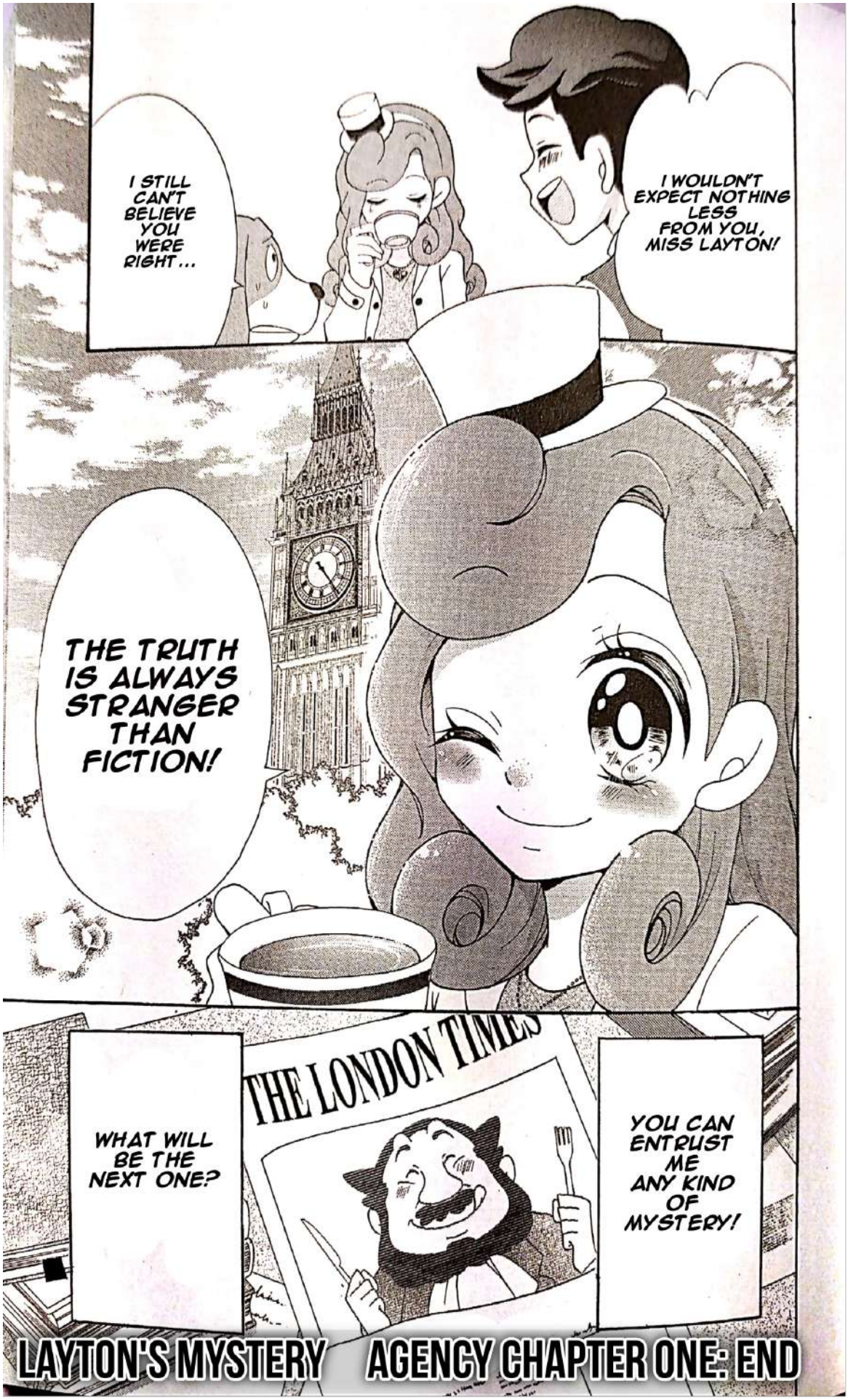
HE IS INNO-CENT!
HANS...
SO YOU'RE THE ONES BEHIND THIS PROJECT RIGHT?
HE JUST FOLLOW-ED MY INTSTRU-CTIONS!
NO,YES, ONE DAY I ACCIDENTALLY DROPPED THE ORIGINAL HOUR HAND AND IT BROKE IN HALF.
AND THEN YOU DECIDED TO REPLACE IT WITH A FAKE ONE MADE OF WAFER.
BUT THAT'S ME WHO MADE IT FOR HIM!
JUST SHUT UP!


I DIDN'T THINK IT WOULD END LIKE THIS.
CALM DOWN, KAT.
ANYWAY, I FIND THAT HUGE WAFER REEEALLY APPETIZING!
WELL...
I HAVE AN IDEA!
I HAVEN'T REPAIRED THE CLOCK HAND YET...
AND THE AMBASSAD-OR COMES TOMORROW. WHAT CAN WE DO?!
?
THAT'S SOMETHING JUST YOU TWO CAN DO!


IT SEEMS THAT EVERYTHING IS ALRIGHT.
WOW!
A CLOCK HAND-SHAPED CAKE? THAT'S ABSOLUTELY FORMIDABLE!
VYUM
VYUM
VYUM
AHAHA! OOOH, YOU FLATTER ME INSPECTOR!
AND ALL THANKS TO YOU, KAT!
GREAT BRITAIN'S FUTURE IS SAVED!


I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE YOU WERE RIGHT...
I WOULDN'T EXPECT NOTHING LESS FROM YOU, MISS LAYTON!
THE TRUTH IS ALWAYS STRANGER THAN FICTION!
THE LONDON TIMES
WHAT WILL BE THE NEXT ONE?
YOU CAN ENTRUST ME ANY KIND OF MYSTERY!
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